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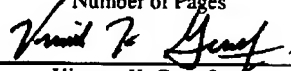
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Sir:

This responds to the May 10, 2007 Office Action in the above-identified application.

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The time for responding to the May 10, 2007 Office Action without extension was set at three months, or August 10, 2007.

Please amend the claims of the above-identified patent application as set out in **Section I (Amendments to the Claims)** hereof.

Remarks concerning the amendments to the claims and the substance of the May 10, 2007 Office Action are set out in **Section II (Remarks)** hereof.